

# City Over Peak As 'Flu' Cases Begin to Drop

Steady Decrease in Influenza Looked For Unless Storm Conditions Give New Life to Epidemic

Cost Not so Great as 1918

Health Authorities Are Winning Pneumonia Battle; Snow Removal Demanded

Unless there is a setback as a result of the storm conditions, the peak in the influenza epidemic has already passed, Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner, announced yesterday. Figures on the visitation yesterday showed a fulfillment of his prediction on Thursday, when he said there would be a decline all along the line, as there was a decrease in new cases of influenza and pneumonia, and in deaths from both diseases. The statistics gathered by the Health Department for the chart day ended at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, show a falling off of 518 new cases and eighty-four deaths from the two diseases, as against the figures for Thursday. The table follows:

	Influenza	Pneumonia
Manhattan	479	109
Bronx	487	117
Brooklyn	1,106	238
Queens	108	24
Richmond	89	9
Totals	2,265	500
Preceding twenty-four hours' totals	3,128	819
Decreases	901	217

Previously reported: 51,592 1,367 10,212 2,621

Grand totals since Jan. 1: 34,417 1,477 10,814 2,761

Cornell deaths: 4,930 383 624 213

1918 epidemic: 4,930 383 624 213

Saving in Flu Fight

Dr. Copeland announced that a great financial saving in fighting the present visitation had been accomplished as against that in 1918, and said that it was due to the experience gained at that time. The 1918 epidemic cost the city about \$140,000, which was spent for nurses, doctors, hospital supplies, ambulances, clothing for destitute persons, pay for extra clerks and telephone operators and other charges. This year the cost will not run above \$75,000, he said yesterday, and of the appropriation of \$80,000 which he received he said he expected to turn over to the general fund at least \$5,000.

The Health Commissioner said that he was disturbed about the storm conditions, in view of the fact that the ambulance service of the hospitals is being seriously interfered with, due to the condition of the streets. He also said the traffic conditions were making it more difficult for the visiting nurses of the Health Department to get around to see patients, and that at only great personal hardship to themselves were they able to get to all the homes where ill persons are being cared for.

Calling attention to the city ordinance which requires the removal of snow from sidewalks and from gutters in front of their premises, Dr. Copeland said that he had conferred with the Police Commissioner and the Fire Department to see that the removal of snow from sidewalks and gutters was completed by the time the storm is at its height, in which case the snow must be removed before 11 o'clock in the morning, is from 11 to 12 o'clock in the afternoon, and from 12 to 1 o'clock in the evening. He said that if the snow is not removed by the time the storm is at its height, the city will be unable to remove it as quickly as possible to prevent any shortage of milk.

Keep Dry Shod Is Warning

The Health Commissioner addressed two groups of city officials yesterday afternoon, and after warning them about the influenza and the importance of safeguards asked all the city officials to keep their feet dry. About one-third of the members of the two meetings, which numbered about 500, admitted they wore no rubbers. Dr. Copeland said that he had counted 124 women who had passed coming down to his office yesterday morning who had not availed themselves of this protection against wet feet, and he urged upon them the importance of being dry shod in this weather.

Hospital patients suffering from influenza and pneumonia increased to 221 yesterday, fifty-four more than the preceding day. The highest number recorded to date was on January 31, when there were 1,018 hospital patients suffering from the two diseases. Twelve nurses registered at the Health Department yesterday, two of whom were graduate nurses. The Health Department supplied thirty-one nurses yesterday out of sixty-one calls that were received.

Dr. Copeland said busy physicians were only reporting now the cases of influenza they had admitted. He said that seventy-five and ninety cases were reported, respectively, by two Brooklyn physicians yesterday.

There will be no let-up in the restrictions in respect to smoking in theaters or in the subway, expectorating, failure to supply sufficient heat in apartment houses or any other preventive measures, Dr. Copeland declared yesterday, and said that they will be continued in force until all danger of a recurrence of the epidemic is past. Dr. Hermann M. Biggs, State Health Commissioner, issued yesterday a bulletin on the influenza epidemic, giving advice as to personal care to avoid the disease, and instructions for caring for patients who have it. The instructions in the main are those which were issued by Health Commissioner Copeland early in the visitation.

Thieves Rob Messengers Of \$6,000; Escape in Car Policemen's Taxi Stalls in Snowdrift and Ambulance Proves Too Slow

Two messengers carrying the \$6,000 payroll of Simon Ascher & Co., dealers in knit goods, 2433 Third Avenue, the Bronx, were robbed yesterday by two men at Lincoln Avenue and 136th Street. The robbers leaped into an automobile and escaped, although pursued by the police.

Sol Meyer and Sidney Marks had just drawn the money from the Twenty-third Ward Bank, Third Avenue and 137th Street. The men attacked them, and Marks was knocked into a cellar. Meyer surrendered the satchel when a pistol was pointed at his head. The pair then leaped into the automobile, which stood at the curb with its motor racing and a man at the wheel.

The car shot across 137th Street to Willis Avenue and turned south. Patrolman Majewski pursued it, first in a taxi, which got stuck in a snowdrift, and then in an ambulance from Lincoln Hospital, but the thieves made a clean getaway.

## Snow No Terror to College Maids



When the storm piled drifts around Barnard College, these students shouldered shovels and tackled the snow. They cleared the walks and streets adjacent to the school.

## Magistrate Declares Underworld Backs Bonding Companies

McAdoo Charges Thieves' Loot Is Put Up as Collateral When Surety Concerns Give Bail for Crooks

Chief Magistrate William McAdoo declared yesterday he believed there exists an underworld organization which indemnifies bonding companies that furnish bail for crooks, out of a fund collected from the swag of criminals. "For example," he said, "a group of men is before me charged with a crime. From their appearance they are gangsters and from their records they are criminals. Bail for these men is fixed, let us suppose, at \$5,000 each. Almost immediately a professional bondsman will appear with the necessary amount. The underworld is now a closely federated affair, beyond any doubt. It appears to me, from what I know of criminal operations in New York, to be entirely reasonable to suppose that these left robbers and truck robbers and kindred criminals have an organization which supplies the collateral for such bonds.

"It has been reported to me—I have not yet been able to investigate the report, but I shall do so—that one of the agents for a bonding company doing business with the city courts is himself a well-known figure in the underworld and has a criminal record. "I think that it is necessary that not only the professional bondsmen should be licensed and placed under careful supervision, but that the agents of the companies should also be subjected to a careful examination as to their past records and character. "Another evil which I would like to see eradicated is the collusion which sometimes exists between lawyers and certain professional bondsmen. Working together, in some cases, the lawyer and the bondsman can make even \$10,000, which they can make cover three cases and have released in a day or so, all ready for use again."

Weather Report

Sun rises, 7:01 a. m.; Sun sets, 5:20 p. m. Moon rises, 9:22 p. m.; Moon sets, 5:27 a. m.

Local Forecast.—Clearing to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy, not much change in temperature; diminishing northwest winds.

Local Official Record.—The following official record shows temperatures during the last twenty-four hours in comparison with the corresponding time of last year:

	1920	1919
3 a. m.	26	32
6 a. m.	28	35
9 a. m.	29	38
12 noon	32	38

Highest temperature yesterday, 33 degrees (at 2 p. m.); lowest, 25 degrees (at 2 a. m.); average, 29 degrees; average same date last year, 32 degrees; average same date for thirty-three years, 30 degrees.

Humidity 8 a. m., 95; 1 p. m., 73; 3 p. m., 94

Barometer Readings 8 a. m., 29.521 p. m., 29.428 p. m., 29.38

General Weather Conditions WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The Atlantic coast storm is now centered between Boston and Portland, where the barometer has dropped more than an inch during the last forty-eight hours. There is no other well marked storm center within the field of observation and the barometer is generally low east of the Rocky Mountains.

Snow continues in northern New England and eastern New York and rain still is falling on the Massachusetts coast. Elsewhere near the storm center the weather has cleared. The temperature is close to the seasonal average east of the Mississippi and somewhat above in the Missouri Valley and portions of the Rocky Mountain region and the plateau regions.

The weather during the next forty-eight hours will be fair except in northern New England, northern New York and along the Great Lakes, where snow is probable. Light snow is also probable in the Ohio Valley to-morrow, and in southern Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia Sunday. It will be somewhat cooler in New England. Elsewhere the chances will be unimportant.

Storm warnings are displayed on the Atlantic coast from Eastport, Me., to the Delaware Breakwater and on the Washington coast.

## \$2,799,476 Rents Paid in 22 Years To Astor Trustees

Other Items Collected for Fund Gave Millionaire Recluse an Income for Period of Near 3 Millions

Charles F. Brown, appointed referee to pass on the accounts of the trustees of the Henry Astor trust fund, completed his report for the Supreme Court yesterday. Mr. Astor was a member of the famous family of millionaires, though he had been estranged from his relatives since 1869, when he married the daughter of a gardener. The trust was made for the benefit of himself during his lifetime and for his immediate relatives after his death. He died June 7, 1918.

Trustees for Mr. Astor were Charles A. Peabody and Lewis Spencer. Their chief duty was management of the many valuable parcels of land owned by their principal in New York City. The report shows that between April 22, 1892, and February 14, 1914, the rents of these properties amounted to \$2,799,476. Other items brought the total income for this period up to \$2,953,295.

Of this amount Mr. Astor received remittances for \$2,198,796. The balance was spent for repairs, upkeep and other expenses. From February 14, 1914, to May 28, 1914, the property yielded \$84,640, of which Mr. Astor received \$51,532. From May 28, 1914, to May 1, 1917, the trust income was \$769,740 and Mr. Astor received \$769,740. From then to June 7, 1918, Mr. Astor received \$255,701 from an income of \$291,000.

A score of heirs will participate in the division of the estate. The largest share, one-sixth, will go to Arthur Wintthrop Astor, John Jacob Astor, Mary Allen, Sarah Steward Collier, Hubert de Stuers, Margaret Stuers Oberdorff, Louis Zvorowski, Arthur Astor Carey, Wintthrop Astor Chanler, William Astor Chanler, Louis Stuyvesant Chanler, Robert Wintthrop Chanler, John Armstrong Chanler, Elisabeth Wintthrop Chapman, Margaret Livingston Aldrich, Aida Beckman Emmet.

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# 500 Clubwomen Hiss Dr. Grant; Reject League

Jeers and Laughter Greet Ascension Rector's Name as Speaker Defends Him at Federation Meeting

Welfare Bills Denounced

Delegates Are Told Women Workers Would Be Barred From Competing With Men

The New York City Federation of Women's Clubs adopted a resolution attacking the women's welfare bills at its fifty-first annual convention yesterday at the Hotel Astor. The women also refused to endorse the league of nations, and they expressed their feelings about radicalism in general by hissing the name of the Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant.

The episode in which Dr. Grant's name figured lasted only a minute, but that minute was sufficient to bring the officials of the organization to their feet in horror, crying "Hush!" and making stern gestures to the noisy 500 delegates.

Pastor's Home Jeered

Mrs. Lillian Sire, a Democratic political worker, started it all by introducing a resolution advocating the appointment of public defenders in courts. She presented a long list of prominent men, who, she said, endorsed the principal, among them Dr. Grant. Her reference to the radical minister of the Church of the Ascension stirred the great gathering to hisses, jeers and laughter.

Mrs. Sire stood her ground, and declared she admired Dr. Grant very much for the stand he had taken. A little later in the day Miss Mary Garrett Hay, chairman of the New York City League of Women Voters, rebuked the women for "emotionalism" and besought them not to be stampeded intellectually in the trying times ahead of the nation.

The action of the convention in the welfare bills was a complete reversal of its attitude of a year ago, when it endorsed the bills as presented to the Legislature by the Women's Joint Legislative Committee. Last fall at the semi-annual convention, 300 women on the bills were prevented by strategists, who introduced a resolution forbidding the convention to discuss controversial matters. The City Federation of Women's Clubs, however, has since then employed on elevators and street railways were referred at that time to the executive board. Yesterday the board reported in favor of repealing those bills.

Mrs. Frederick Nathan, chairman of the Consumers League, led the fight on the floor in behalf of the welfare bills, but it was a losing fight from the very beginning. Miss Beatrice Brown, of the League for Equal Opportunity, opposed her.

The president of the federation, Mrs. Harry Lilly, served notice in her annual report that the ban on controversial matters was off, when she said: "The achievement having been accomplished, we can no longer excuse responsibility for the enactment of pernicious legislation. We can no longer rise to cover under the cry of 'no politics in the City Fed.' Our duty is clear as an organization of educated, intelligent American citizens. We must rise in condemnation of what is wrong, irrespective of the party whose platform it represents, and unflinchingly and publicly register our opinion."

Not Wanted by Workers Miss Brown spoke against the welfare bills (the eight-hour-day and minimum wage for women, and health insurance bills), attacking them on the ground that they prevented women from competing with men in the labor market and said they were not desired by working women.

The vote on the league of nations occurred in connection with a resolution which advocated the appointment of a woman as one of the three representatives of the United States in the general assembly of the league. "If it is ratified, with City Federation reserves," Mrs. William D. Spoor, vice-president of the federation, moved to amend the resolution to make it include an insinuation of the league of nations. The amendment was lost, however. A convention then carried the proposition about the woman member.

The guests and speakers of the convention were Dr. Max Schallap, who discussed the problem of mental deficiency, and Dr. John L. Elliott, who talked on "The Average Woman a Good Citizen."

His answer to this question was "No." The following women were elected directors of the federation: Manhattan: Mrs. Clara M. Marks and Mrs. Dudley Van Houtland; Brooklyn: Mrs. R. C. Talbot Perkins; Bronx: Mrs. Amanda Costello; Queens: Mrs. Clinton B. Smith; and Richmond, Mrs. William H. Dunker.

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Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co. Store Closes at 6 P. M. Broadway at Ninth, New York

Through Sunshine and Storm the Great

A common black tea pot in James Watt's home

with its lid flapping up and down on the hot stove in his mother's kitchen, is said to have led a small fourteen-year-old boy, born on January 19, 1736, to realize the expansive force of steam, and in 1782 he invented the condensing steam engine.

This incident ranks with Isaac Newton's falling apple, Robert Bruce's spider, Galvani's frog, Galileo's swinging lamp and Benjamin Franklin's electric kite.

The City of Boston also had a Tea Party

that created a stir throughout Great Britain and brought on the Revolutionary War.

The first use of electric lighting of a store was within the freight station which we tore down to erect our Philadelphia building.

The first use of pneumatic tubes to carry money to the extent of thirty heavy silver dollars was patented after we introduced the service as a saving of time to the customer.

Great oaken ship timbers have grown from seeds smaller than a lady's little finger.

Hardly anything in this world is finished.

New York and this Store as a useful part of it are just now starting on a new career.

All hands on deck to pull together!

(Signed) John Wanamaker

February 7, 1920.

Tableaux Historiques de Musique

In the Auditorium Today at 2:30

Illustrating the development of (1) the Piano; (2) the Dance; (3) the Art of Music.

First Tableau—The Spinnet—Eighteenth Century—the Boy Mozart plays at Court.

Second Tableau—The Square Piano—Nineteenth Century—Jenny Lind's Music Room; the original Chickering piano made for Jenny Lind will be used.

Third Tableau—The Chickering-Ampico Reproducing Piano. A music room of today.

LINDLAY LENTON and BEATRICE SQUIRES in dances under the direction of Sergei Partakovich, of the Russian Ballet School.

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New and special for Miss 14 to 20



Suit Frocks, \$49.50

The little suit-frock is the fashion of the hour—and its vogue will surely continue throughout the Spring. It looks like a suit, but has all the convenience of a one-piece frock, as the accordion-pleated skirt is joined to the white organdie guimpe and underbodice, and the Eton jacket is fastened to the underbodice of silk. Illustrated.

We have had this chic little costume made in the new cross-barred worsted (Fashion's latest favorite), in navy blue with lavender, also plain navy blue serge, tan with violet. \$49.50.

Frocks of Taffeta, \$39.75

Sketch shows the attractive use of tiny pleatings, as well as the smart silhouette of the model. Taffeta is of a commendable quality—in dark brown, Copenhagen and navy blues.

New Wool Jersey Suits, \$29.50

If you are in doubt about what sort of Spring suit to get, you cannot make a mistake in getting one of these wool jersey suits to fill in until you have come to a decision, because a jersey suit is useful the year round. These suits are in a smart, severely tailored model, and come in plain colors and heather mixtures.

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A Delicious French Perfume

At a very small cost

From Paris came to us, recently, a new French perfume which sold quickly because of its instant popularity. Now we have a new shipment in three delightful odors—

—Jasmin —Chypre —Muguet

Put up in the most attractive little French bottles, so that it has all the quality and appearance of an expensive French perfume, at \$3.90.

Wahna Ruff-Skin

This indispensable lotion for chapped hands and faces makes winter a successful season. Many people who have tried numerous elaborate and expensive cold creams and other lotions have taken to WAHNA RUFF-SKIN. It has the supreme advantage of not being oily in any way.

37c the four-ounce bottle.

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Petticoats at \$8.95

100, odds and ends, \$10.95 to \$15 grades, only a few of a kind. Lovely colors—light, dark, brilliant and subdued. Made of jersey silk, radium; jersey tops with meshaline flounces; jersey top with taffeta flounces; all meshaline.

Extra sizes included.

Third floor, Old Building.

Silk stockings you never can have enough of them

Full-fashioned silk stockings, with mercerized top; double toe, sole and heel, in black, white, Havana brown and medium gray, at \$2.66 a pair.

All-silk stockings, with mercerized toe, in bronze, Cordovan, negre, medium and dark gray, as well as black and white; also a number with lisle toe, heel and welt, in black and white; \$3.65 pair. (Prices quoted include tax.)

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